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Checklist Requirements for Food Vehicle Inspection

- 1. A vendor shall satisfy the following inspection requirements which shall appear on a checklist issued by the bureau of fire prevention:
 - a. Fire extinguisher.
 - i. The fire extinguisher required to be mounted in a food vehicle shall be an ABC type, minimum of one 5 lb. extinguisher.
 - ii. A K type of fire extinguisher shall be required and mounted in the food vehicle if the vendor is using any oils or anything that could cause grease vapor.
 - b. Hood suppression system.
 - i. A hood suppression system that meets or exceeds National Fire Protection Association standards for ventilation control and fire prevention (NFPA 96) shall be required for any food vehicle that creates or emits grease vapors.
 - c. Propane storage and appliances.
 - i. Propane hoses shall be free of leaks.
 - ii. Propane cylinders mounted on the outside of a food vehicle shall be placed and secured in a storage cabinet.
 - iii. A "no smoking" sign shall be prominently displayed in the area of propane cylinders.
 - d. Generators.
 - i. A generator should be free of leaks or sparks emanating from the exhaust system.
 - ii. A generator shall discharge exhausts in a satisfactory manner.
 - iii. Exhausts shall not back up into the food vehicle.
 - e. Smoke detectors in food trucks.
 - i. Smoke detectors shall be placed between cooking area and the driver's cab.
 - ii. Smoke detectors shall be in operation at all times.
 - f. Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors in food trucks and food trailers.
 - i. Food truck: The CO detector shall be mounted between cooking area and driver's cab.
 - ii. Food trailer: The CO detector shall be mounted in the area where the generator is located.
 - iii. The CO detector shall be in operation at all times.
 - g. Propane gas sensors.
 - i. Food truck and trailers: A propane gas sensor shall be mounted in the area of the propane cylinders and inside of the cooking area.
- 2. Nothing contained in this subsection shall limit the authority of the bureau of fire prevention to supplement checklist requirements in a particular case in the interest of public safety.